

# The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Tuesday, March 15, 1726.

From the Evening Post, March 8.

Warsaw, Feb. 23.

**W**hen the Congress was sitting here, the Palatine of Pleskow made a long Speech to that Assembly, the Substance of which is as follows.

"It is high Time the Republick wake, without waiting till Hanibal is before our Gates; or that the Enemy approaching, should gain Advantage over our Troops, as has many times happened. We ought not to take notice, nor so much as deliberate on the Laws some Foreign Powers are endeavouring to impose upon the Polish Nation. By so doing, we will convince them, that a Free and Sovereign Republick has an incontestable Right to dispose and judge of its Domestick Affairs. That as the Regular Troops we now have on foot, amount but to 40000 Men, and therefore are not sufficient for securing the Frontier of this Kingdom against a formidable Foreign Army; 'tis requisite that one Third-part of the Nobility keep in constant Readiness to reinforce our Army. It will also be proper, in case of open War, to charge the City of Dantzick not to suffer Magazines to be erected there for the Use of the Enemies of the Republick. Lastly, The King should be entreated not to leave the Kingdom in this Juncture: Nor ought Foreign Troops to be admitted, tho' under Pretence of assisting us; our Regular Troops, and the Nobility on Horseback, being sufficient to make head against the Enemy.

Madrid, Feb. 26. The Queen goes on very favourably in her Pregnancy.

Paris, March 13. As the late Elector of Bavaria was Grand Uncle to our Monarch, his Majesty will go into Mourning for 6 Weeks.

On the 8th Inst. at 2 in the Morning, 6 Street-Robbers attacked a Man in New Street of St. Mary, but a Company of the Foot Watch coming up at that Time, the Rogues fac'd about to defend themselves; which while they were doing, a Division of the Horse Watch came up also, and hemm'd 'em in, in such a Manner that they were all taken.

Warsaw, Feb. 23. The Count de Rabutin, Mini-

ster of the Emperor, arrived two Days ago here, and had Yesterday his Audiences of the King, and of the Prince Royal. In the Afternoon he repaired to the House of Pr. Dolhorucky, Minister of Russia, with whom he had a long Conference. 'Tis talk'd he is entrusted with an important Commission concerning the Religious Differences in Poland: 'Tis probable he is to endeavour to procure an Accommodation with the Protestant Powers, and thereby prevent a dangerous War. The said Minister will, after a short Stay, set out for the Court of Russia.

From the Flying Post, March 1.

Vienna, Feb. 27. A Courier is arrived from Count Coningseck, the Emperor's Ambassador at Madrid. This Minister writes, That he can never enough commend the good Reception he has met with from the King and Queen of Spain, who immediately granted him Audience, and promised him free Access to their Persons at all Times. He adds, That the Levies are carried on in that Kingdom with extraordinary Success; That tho' the Court takes it for granted there will be no War as yet, nevertheless his Catholick Majesty does not fail to take proper Measures for bringing a potent Army into the Field, and for having a numerous Fleet at Sea, in case of Need; That great Sums of Money are sent to Pampeluna, St. Sebastian and Fontarabia, to finish the Fortifications, and that the Court has no Reason to repent their having augmented their Silver Species in Proportion to their Gold. He concludes, by saying, That he acts altogether in Concert with the Duke de Ripperda, in whom their Catholick Majesties have an entire Confidence. 'Tis said likewise, that the Queen Dowager of Spain, Widow of Charles II. is to go to Rome at the Perswasion of her Catholick Majesty, to endeavour an Accommodation of the Differences between the Chevalier de St. George and his Princess.

London, March 8. Sunday last, Evelin Pierpoint, Duke and Earl of Kingston, Marquis of Dorchester, Viscount Newark, and Baron Pierpoint of Holme-pierpont, in the County of Nottingham, departed this Life at his House in Arlingtonstreet, after

a few Days Illness, which proved to be a Mortification in his Bowels.

In 1706, Queen Anne made him a Marquess, and one of the Commissioners for treating of an Union with Scotland. In November 1714, King George made him Warden and Chief Justice in Eyre of the Forests, Parks, Chaces, and Warrens beyond Trent, and next Month *Custos Rotulorum* of the County of Wilts, and a Member of his most honourable Privy Council.

In August 1715, he was made a Duke; and in December 1716, Lord Privy Seal, in which Post he was succeeded some Time after by the Duke of Kent. In 1719 his Majesty created him Lord President of the Council, and one of the Knights Companions of the most Noble Order of the Garter; and next Year the Right Honourable the Lord Viscount Townshend being made President of the Council, his Majesty restored the Duke to the Office of Lord Privy Seal, which he held till his Death.

This Noble Family is descended from Robert de Pierpont, who came into England with William the Conqueror. Simon de Pierpoint one of his Ancestors, was remarkable for his great Fidelity to Henry the III. as well as for the largeness of his Estate. As was also his Son Robert, who fought valiantly for him at the Battle of Lewes in Sussex, where he was made Prisoner, and ransomed out of the King's Treasury for 700 Marks, which in those Days was a very great Sum. Henry Pierpont, another of his Ancestors, was famous for his faithful Services to K. Edward IV. against the Lancastrians. Robert his Great Grandson, who was called by K. Charles I. The good Earl of Kingston, was taken Prisoner at the Assault of Ganishborough in 1643, by the Lord Willoughby of Parham, who was sending by Barge to Hull; which Sir Charles Cavendish observing, he pursued with some of the King's Party to rescue him, but at their first Discharge at the Vessel, they had the Misfortune to kill him and his Servant.

The deceased Duke of Kingston's Mother, was Elizabeth Daughter and Co-heir to Sir John Evelyn of West-Dean in the County of Wilts, Knight. His first Wife was the Lady Mary, Daughter to William Fielding Earl of Denbigh, by whom he had Issue one Son, deceased, and three Daughters, viz. the Lady Mary, married to Wortley Montague Esq. The Lady Evelyn, married to John Lord Gower, and the Lady Frances, married to the late Earl of Mar. He had to his 2d Wife, the Lady Bentick, Sister to the Duke of Portland, to whom he was married in August 1714.

His Grandson by his Son deceased, who is about 14 Years of Age, is now Duke of Kingston.

*From the London Gazette, March 8.*

*Vienna, Feb. 25.* The Duke de Ripperda has formed a Plan for putting the Army upon a new Foot; and accordingly his Catholick Majesty has signed a Decree, ordering that the Regiments of Foot shall consist of 2000 Men each; and those of Horse, of 1000, to be commanded by General Officers; and that the Colonels and other Officers who by this Means will be reformed, shall be provided (without assigning them Half-pay) with the Civil Government of Towns, which shall be made Military, and be given to the said Reform'd Officers according to their Rank. On the 21 last, a Courier arrived at the Pardo from Vienna; 'tis said he has brought the Pictures of the Emperor's Family. His Catholick Majesty has appointed Don Francisco Moreno (who lately came from Genoa, where he had lived some Years for having followed the Emperor's Party during the late Wars, to be Intendant General of the Marine, as also President of the Contractation House at Cadix, with a Salary of 12,000 Crowns a Year, in the Room of Don Joseph Patino, who was lately made his Catholick Majesty's Minister at Brussels, and who is to set out for that Place the End of next Month.

*From the Whitehall Evening-Post, March 8.*

*Madrid, Feb. 26.* A new Decree has been published for raising the Price of Silver Specie to hinder its Exportation to Foreign Countries; but the Species of Arrogan, Valentia and Catalonia are excepted, and are to be Current on the old Foot; and all Contracts, Obligations and Bills that are payable are to be satisfied without this Augmentation.

*Paris, March 6.* We hear of nothing every Day but House breaking, Street Robberies, and Murders, so that 'tis hardly safe to venture to those Parts of the City which are not much frequented. The Grand Provost of Bretagne has discovered by the several Examinations he has taken, that there is a Gang of 140 Highwaymen dispersed thro' the several Provinces of the Kingdom.

*Frankfort, March 3.* Thursday last 20 Turkish Horses of extraordinary Beauty pass'd thro' here from Constantinople to Hanover, which are said to be a Present from the Grand Signior to the K. of Great Britain.

*London, March 8.* Several Bomb-vessels are getting ready in his Majesty's Yards for the present Service.

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*From the Daily Courant, March 8.*

**Hamburg, March 8.** According to Letters from Petersburg, the Czarina has put off her Journey to Revel and Riga, on Account of the Affairs in Persia. An Express is arrived from Derbent, with Advice, that the Turkish Army which was near Isphahan, is marching back; So that it is likely the main Army of the Turks, will advance towards the Frontiers of Georgia.

**Copenhagen, March 7.** The Imperial Minister Count Fretack having had no Success in his Negotiations at this Court, is set out for that of Sweden, where in all Likelihood he will also lose his Labour, the Swedish Chancery having concurred with the Senate in their Resolution of acceding to the Hanover Treaty, whereby the Tranquillity of the North will in a great Measure be secured.

*Since our last arrived a Mail from Holland.*

*From the Evening Post, March 10.*

**Constantinople, Feb. 8.** The Ambassadors of France and Great Britain having on the 3d and 4th Inst. received Expresses from their respective Courts, took Horse on the 5th and rode to the House of the Grand Visier, of whom they had an Audience of above an Hour, which, as it much exceeds the usual Time, makes it conjectured, that what they had to propose to the Prime Minister was of great Moment. The Accommodation between the Porte & the young Sophi being as good as concluded, 50000 Men are going to be detached from the Turkish Army in Persia to the Frontier of Georgia.

**Paris, March 8.** The Departure of the Count de Broglio for the Court of Great Britain, is put off for a few Days; as for his Lady she will stay and lie in here, being too near her Time to undertake a Journey.

*From the Whitehall Evening-Post, March 10.*

**Madrid, Jan. 19.** The Commissions for raising 25000 Men to augment the King's Troops are ready but we are assured they will not be given out till the King has received an Answer to the Letter which his Majesty wrote last Week to the Emperor, an Order is published for augmenting every Regiment to 2000 Men, including the Officers.

**Warsaw, Feb. 27.** Two Writings of a very contrary Nature are published here. One shews, that most of the Grandees of the Kingdom are resolved to let Things go to a Rupture, rather than they will yield an Ace to the Protestants; and that Orders are sent into several Palatinates, to palisade

the Castles, and to make Ditches and Lines of Communication; and that the Ban and Arrear-Ban is shortly to be raised. And the other, on the contrary, flatters us with the Hopes of a speedy Accommodation between the Protestant Powers. This is very certain that the Troops of the Crown, and those of Lithuania, have received Orders to march towards the Frontiers, to be ready at all Events.

**Maryle, March 7.** The Most Christian King has expressly forbid the Italian Comedians to bring upon the Theatre any Piece which is undecent, or admits of a double Entendre. His Majesty has lately emitted a Declaration, which forbids his Subjects of the Reform'd Religion to sell their Estates in the Space of 3 Years to come, without Leave from the Court.

**London, March 10.** Sunday last the Rt. Honourable the L. Trevor, Baron of Bromham in the County of Bedford, kissed the King's Hand for the Office of Lord Privy Seal, in Room of the D. of Kingston.

We hear the Lord Walgrave is to go to France with a publick Character. Her Grace the Duchess of Wharton is very dangerously ill.

On Thursday last the 3d Instant, there was an Address presented to his Majesty from the Justices of Peace, Heritors, and Freeholders of the County of Elgin and Forests, by Alexander Brodie of Brodie Esq; their Representative in Parliament, being introduced by the Right Honourable Sir Robert Walpole.

The Lady of his Excellency the Marquis d'Aix, Envoy Extraordinary from the K. of Sardinia, arrived here from Turin with a splendid Equipage.

S. S. Stock 105, 1 Half. Annuities 100 5 eights. York Buildings 20, 3 4ths.

*From Wye's Letter, March 10.*

The Lord Walgrave, we hear, is to go in a publick Character to the Court of France; who in the mean time have ordered their Forces, Horse and Foot, to be augmented in Proportion to the great Number of their fortified Places, the Extent of their Frontiers, and the Alliances they have contracted for maintaining the Tranquillity of Europe; and in Addition thereto, an Ordinance was newly published in Paris, for levying a Militia of 60,000 Men.

We cannot yet be exact as to the Time when the Lottery will be filled; there being not that Vent for the Tickets as was expected.

Last Tuesday at three in the Morning, it being Spring



Spring Tide and the Time of high Water at London, the Water in the Thames was higher by five Inches than has been known in the Memory of Man.

The same Day died the Lady Cranmore, Relict of Sir Theodore Cranmore, one of the Witnesses for the Legitimacy of the Birth of the Pretender.

*Haddington, March 7. 1725.*

Best Wheat, L. 09 16<sup>d</sup> 2d, L. 09 12<sup>d</sup> 3d, L. 09 00  
Best Bear, L. 06 18 2d, L. 05 14<sup>d</sup> 3d, L. 05 10<sup>d</sup>  
Best Oats, L. 06 00 2d, L. 05 16<sup>d</sup> 3d, L. 05 10<sup>d</sup>  
Best Pease, L. 09 00 2d, L. 8 16 00 3d, L. 08 12<sup>d</sup>

## ADVERTISEMENT.

\* \* \* About a Fourtnight ago came home from London, in the Ship *The Owners Good-will*, Alexander Thomson Master, Three Casks or Bundles of Shovels, one of Spades, another of young Trees, and a little Bundle of Pruning Scissors, all marked T. F. If the Proprietor pleases to call for the above Goods, at the House of said Mr. Thomson on the Bridge of Leith, he may have them.

*By Order of the Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs.*

To be sold, by Inch of Candle or publick Auction, at the Custom-house of Leith, upon Wednesday the 30th of March Inst. to the highest Bidder, between the Hours of 12 & 1 a'clock, for curing Fish for Exportation only, about a Thousand Bushels Foreign Salt, lodg'd in a Cellar at Leith. The Conditions of Sale are to be seen at the Customhouse there.

\* \* \* That the Lands of OVER URQUHART, lying in the Parish of Strathmiglo and Sheriffdom of Fife, belonging to John Buttar of Gormock, being of yearly free Rent, L. 743, 6 sh. 8 d. besides 6 Dozen of Kain-Fowls, and several other Casualties; holding Feu of the Crown for Payment of L. 18, 10 sh. Are to be exposed to voluntar Roup and Sale upon Tuesday the Tenth of May next, at 3 a'clock after Noon, in John's Coffee-house, Edinburgh. The Progress of the Writs and Conditions of Roup, may be seen in the Hands of James Graham Writer, at Mr. John Lumisden's Writing-chamber in Miln's Square.

\* \* \* There is a convenient LODGING, well finish'd and furnished, with a pleasant Garden, Dovecot, Coach-house, Stables and Hay-loft, lying in the South-end of Restalrig; To be Set; and the Entry to be at WhitSunday next; Enquire at the Author of this Paper.

\* \* \* That the *Paper-Mill of Pennycook*, Office-houses, and hail Pertinents, Instruments for making Paper, with an Acre of Ground presently in the Tackmens Possession, with 4 Acres of Ground or thereby sublett, and posselt by Robert Wilson, Tenant of the Corn-mill there, and others thereto belonging; lying on the Water of Esk, in the Parish of Pennycook and Sheriffdom of Edinburgh, formerly belonging to the deceased Mrs. Anderson, her late Majesty's Printer, now to her Representatives: Are to be sett in Tack for the Space of an Year and an half after WhitSunday 1726, and 8 Nineteen Years thereafter, by way of publick Roup, by virtue of the Lords of Council and Session their special Act and Warrant for that Effect, upon Thursday the 17th of March

Inst. betwixt the Hours of 3 & 4 in the Afternoon, in the Parliament or New Session-house of Edinburgh. The principal Tack, Conveyance thereof, Act and Warrant of the said Lords, and Conditions of Roup, are all to be seen in the Hands of Thomas Gibson, one of the Under-clerks of Session, on in the Hands of James Johnston Writer in Edinburgh, to be found at the Laigh Coffee-house, or his Chamber in the Castlehill. N. B. The Purchaser may be free of the Lands contained in the Tack, if he pleases; and there are several Privileges in the Tack very beneficial to the Purchaser.

\* \* \* The Mannour-house of *Grange Muir*, alias, *Grange Weems*, within the Shire of Fife and Parish of Anstruther-Wester; a pleasant Country-seat, consisting of Seven Fire-rooms, whereof one a large Kitchen, with a large Wardrobe or Garret, and 3 Closets, besides other Conveniences, together with good Office-houses, such as Barn, Byer, Stable, Hen-house, a good Orchard with a Flower-plot, a Dovecot, nine Acres of arable Ground, Grass for 2 Cows, and 2 or 3 Horses, with a Brew-house, 2 good Cellars, a large Loft for Victual, and the Convenience of a Rivulet near the House fit for washing: All to be sett for One or more Years. The Conditions to be seen at Mr. John Macfarlane Writer to the Signet his Writing-chamber; and with Mr. Weems, Principal Clerk of the Post-office Edinburgh, and at Bailie William Halson's in Anstruther.

\* \* \* Whereas there has been a malicious and invective Report spread abroad for some Weeks past: That James Wat, Brewer in Orchardfield, alias Livingston's Yards, had got 2500 l. sterl. or thereby, and a Gold Watch, from James late Lord Ogilvie in the Year 1715, for which there should have been a Receipt or Obligation granted; and that Diligence being us'd for the same, he was obliged to betake himself to the Abbey. All which is most false and injurious, as will appear by a Letter from the said James late Lord Ogilvie to the said James Wat, now in his Hands, a Copy whereof is subjoined: And therefore, that such malicious Practices may be detected, and the Authors punished according to Law, the said James Wat promises a Reward of Ten Guineas to any who shall discover the Authors of this Report, so as they, or any of them, may be convicted thereof.

Follows the Letter from the said James late Lord Ogilvie to the above James Wat.

*Drumkilbo, 2d March, 1726.*

"I had yours of the 28th of February last: And in Answer thereto, I must own, That I did never see you in the Face, or know you by another Man, or had any Dealings with you: Nor did I ever intrust you with the Sum of 2500 l. sterl. as is falsely reported, or any Sum less or more, Gold Watch, or any Goods whatsoever, either by Writ or without it. And I do think, such Misreports are injurious Reflections against me, as well as designed against your Credie: And if you can be informed of the Authors, I think you should prosecute them as Law allows. And for your further Justification, I allow you to publish this in the Prints. I am, Sir, your most humble Servant.

J. A. OGILVY.

Directed thus, To James Wat, Brewer in Orchardfield near the West-Port of Edinburgh, otherwise called Livingston's Yards.